

- 24. (New) An optoelectronic component carrier comprising a substrate, an optoelectronic component and a label, wherein said component and said label are mounted on said substrate, and said label comprises a coded data symbol naving a two dimensional array of cells.
- 25. (New) An optoelectronic component carrier as claimed in claim 24 wherein the substrate and the label are integrally formed.
- 26. (New) An optoelectronic component carrier as claimed in claim 24 wherein the label further comprises a second substrate, said second substrate having an etchable layer into which the coded data symbol is etched.
- 27. (New) An optoelectronic device comprising an optoelectronic component carrier as claimed in claim 24.
- 28. (New) A method of labelling an optoelectronic component carrier comprising mounting on a substrate a label wherein said label comprises a coded data symbol having a two dimensional array of cells.
- 29. (New) A method of labelling an optoelectronic component carrier as claimed in claim 28 wherein said label is produced by providing a second substrate, providing an etchable layer on the second substrate and etching the etchable layer.

- 30. (New) A method of labelling an optoelectronic component carrier as claimed in claim 29 wherein the etching is performed using an electron beam technique.
- 31. (New) A vision system for reading a coded data symbol on an optoelectronic component carrier, wherein said symbol comprises a two dimensional array of cells, said vision system comprising a light source to illuminate the symbol and a detector capable of detecting a two dimensional pattern of light reflected from the symbol.

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32. (New) An optoelectronic component carrier labeling system comprising a label carrying a coded identifier symbol for attachment to an optoelectronic component carrier, wherein the coded identifier symbol comprises a two dimensional array of cells, a vision system for reading and decoding the label and data storage means for storing at a location identifiable according to the decoded identifier data relevant to the component.

Remarks

The Examiner rejects claims 1-23 under 35 U.S.C. § 102/103 as being "notoriously old". Claims 1-23 have been deleted without prejudice.

Claims 24-32 have been added and more clearly define the invention. Basis for these claims can be found in the specification and drawings as a whole. Specifically, basis can be found on page 7, line 12 which refers to "an optoelectronics component carrier" which is shown in figure 1 comprising a substrate (fig. 1, item 4), a component (fig. 1, item 8) and a label (fig. 1, item 10). Additional basis for claim 26 can be found on page 8, lines 4-11.